GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2084
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2004
MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE TREATY
Kalmadi Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved a mutual legal assistance treaty in criminal matters with the USA;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the name of the other country with whom the Government proposed to sign such treaty?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.REGUPATHY)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b): The treaty aims at improving the effectiveness of the law enforcement authorities of both the countries in the investigation, prosecution, prevention, and suppression of crimes, including those relating to terrorism, narcotics, trafficking, economic crimes and organized crimes, through cooperation and mutual legal assistance.

(c): Similar treaties are proposed to be signed with Singapore, Belarus, Spain and Hong Kong.